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Page 90 Page 92 THE WITNESS: Yes. 1 Q. If you could turn -- there's a --2 BY MR. ROBBEN: 2 there's a -- what looks like a PowerPoint, sort 3 3 of a reduced size PowerPoint, attached to this. Q. When -- when was that? 4 A. I believe it came up in the 4 The first -- the first one, the first 5 Legislature. 5 PowerPoint, if you could turn to page 4 of it. 6 6 It's the Bates number 75397. The Legislature itself brought it up as 7 a -- as a potential in one of the past few budget 7 And do you see that there's three --8 cycles. 8 there's two slides there that -- that the title 9 9 Q. So -is "Institute A Mandatory State Supplemental Drug A. I don't recall which. 10 Rebate." 10 Q. But somewhat recently, last few years? Do you see those? 11 11 A. Yes. A. Yes. 12 12 13 MR. ROBBEN: Okay. Let me show you a 13 Q. Okay. Were you at this presentation when it was given? 14 14 document. 15 15 A. Yes. (Exhibit CA-Gorospe 002 was marked 16 16 for Identification.) Q. Okay. And what -- do you -- who -- the MR. ROBBEN: If you can take a look at slides on the couple of pages back appear to say 17 17 18 that, I'll identify it for the record. 18 that Thomas Ahrens did this part of the 19 It's Gorospe Exhibit 2, and it's a 19 presentation. document that's Bates stamped CAG/DHS0075392 20 Is that -- is that who gave the 20 21 through 75408. 21 presentation on this part? 22 22 A. That is correct. THE WITNESS: Okay. Page 91 Page 93 1 BY MR. ROBBEN: 1 Q. And who was there as part -- at the 2 2 Q. Okay. Do you recognize this -- this presentation other than you, and Ahrens, and 3 document? 3 other people at Medi-Cal? 4 4 A. Yes. A. I don't recall the various names of the 5 Q. What -- what is it? 5 individuals, but it was a large number of 6 Can you explain what it is? individuals, as many as 80. 6 7 7 A. This document is an agenda or -- as it Q. It was the stakeholder groups that you 8 says, a draft proposed agenda of a meeting which 8 talked about? then Governor Gray Davis directed the secretary, 9 9 A. That is correct. Grantland Johnson, to initiate, which would bring 10 10 Q. Was this a -- a discussion, or was it 11 together several different stakeholder groups to 11 more just a presentation? discuss potential changes to the Medi-Cal 12 12 In other words, was -- as you went Pharmacy Program that might lower overall costs 13 through the slides, as Mr. Ahrens went through 13 in the program. 14 the slides, did the audience interact with him or 14 Q. Now, it says "Draft Agenda" for -- it 15 15 was it just he made the presentation? 16 looks like a meeting on March 8th, 2000. 16 A. I believe the -- the nature of the 17 Do you know if the meeting actually did 17 presentation was to -- was to do the 18 go forward on that day? 18 presentation, and then in order to -- to foster a 19 A. Yes. 19 brainstorming session to follow. 20 Q. And was the agenda discussed -- at 20 Q. And did that follow that day or was it least similar to what's set out in the draft? something that followed later in time -- or both? 21 21 22 A. Yes. 22 A. Both.

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